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Crystal Structure (as amended) :

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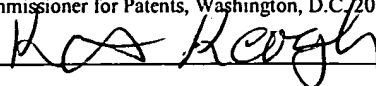
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Sir:

This is in response to the non-final office action (paper no. 20) mailed September 22, 2003. This response is being filed within the second month after the end of the three-month shortened statutory period set in the office action. A separate petition and fee for a two-month extension of time, which resets the due date to February 22, 2004, is filed herewith.

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